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Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust

Memo

To: Mike Murawski, independent ethics advocate

From: Karl Ross, ethics investigator

Date: July 2, 2008

Re: K08-041 Mayor Kevin Burns

Close-out: Preliminary investigation did not yield any evidence substantiating the allegations that North Miami Mayor Kevin Burns had entered into a conflicted relationship with Boca Developers and/or Biscayne Landing. City Manager Clarance Patterson advised that Burns did not have a significant role in negotiating recent changes to the Munisport Agreement of 2002 that provides the framework for the Biscayne Landing project. COE consulted Boca/ Biscayne Landing officials through attorney John Dellagloria, who advised that no such financial arrangement exists, has existed or will exist between Burns and the aforementioned entities. Inquiries with Coldwell Banker, Burn's former employer, indicate no commission or other fees were generated by Burns in connection with the Biscayne Landing project. The initial "tip" that initiated this case did not provide any substantive leads.